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RESPONSE TO ELECTION / RESTRICTION

Mail Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

This correspondence is responsive to the Office Action mailed April 21, 2005, the period of response for which runs through May 21, 2005.

Restriction Under 35 U.S.C. § 121

In the Office Action, the Examiner restricted claims 1-56 under 35 U.S.C. § 121 as follows:

- Group I. Claims 1-17, 27-30, 35-46 and 51-56 drawn to a method, classified in class 709, subclass 235,
- Group II. Claims 18-26 and 47-50 drawn to a method classified in class 709, subclass 239, and
- Group III. Claims 31-34.

During a telephonic conversation with the Examiner on 4/13/2005, Applicant declined to orally provide an election to the above restriction requirement.

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In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant hereby elects Group 1 (claims 1-17, 27-30, 35-46 and 51-56) without traverse. Please withdraw claims 18-26, 31-34, and 47-50.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 50-1778. The Examiner is invited to telephone the below-signed attorney to discuss this application.

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